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LOK SABHA

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TIGER RESERVES
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of tiger reserves in the country;

(b) the number of tiger reserves having research laboratories and the number of such laboratories undertaking research works;

(c) the details of the outcome of such research;

(d) whether these laboratories are likely to be upgraded to make them ultra-modern; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a) There are 47 tiger reserves in the country, distributed in 18 States, encompassing a total area of 68676.47 sq.km. The details are at Annexure-I.

(b), (c), (d) & (e) The National Tiger Conservation Authority has not established any research laboratory in tiger reserves. However, central assistance is provided for field oriented tiger research and monitoring vis-Ã -vis the guidelines of Project Tiger / National Tiger Conservation Authority on a reserve specific basis, besides collaborating with the Wildlife Institute of India.